
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING WHOLESALERS AND RETAILERS IN HAWAII TO VOLUNTARILY
REFRAIN FROM SELLING, PURCHASING, AND DISTRIBUTING PRODUCTS
THAT CONTAIN BISPHENOL-A.

1 WHEREAS, Bisphenol-A, commonly abbreviated as BPA, is a
2 synthetic compound used primarily in the manufacture of plastic
3 items, including some baby bottles and sippy cups, infant
4 formula cans and jars, food and drink containers, and reusable
5 water bottles; and

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7 WHEREAS, according to many experts, Bisphenol-A is linked
8 to a wide range of health problems, including adverse effects on
9 fetal and infant behavior and brain development, obesity and
10 associated diseases, thyroid function, and breast cancer; and

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12 WHEREAS, the adverse health effects are even more
13 pronounced in babies, toddlers, and children; and

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15 WHEREAS, several jurisdictions have banned Bisphenol-A from
16 certain children's food and beverage containers, including
17 Chicago, Minnesota, Connecticut, and Canada; and

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19 WHEREAS, the current market provides similar plastic
20 products manufactured without Bisphenol-A; and

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22 WHEREAS, the residents of Hawaii, and especially keiki,
23 should not be subject to unnecessary health risks; now,
24 therefore,

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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
27 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
28 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that wholesalers and retailers
29 that operate in the State are requested to voluntarily refrain
30 from selling, purchasing, and distributing products that contain
31 Bisphenol-A; and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
3 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Commerce
4 and Consumer Affairs to be disseminated to wholesalers and
5 retailers that distribute products that contain Bisphenol-A.
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